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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Tatsuhito TAKAHASHI et al.

Serial No. 09/844,533

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For UNDERWATER IMMERSION

BLOCK AND METHOD TO

PRODUCE THE SAME

Art Unit 1755

Examiner Paul MARCANTONI

SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C.

SIR:

This serves to supplement the AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111 mailed on October 3, 2002.

REMARKS

JP 55-42216 and JP 7-48186 were applied in the obviousness rejection set forth in the May 24, 2002 Office Action.

Submitted concomitantly herewith are English language translations of JP 55-42216 and JP 7-48186.

JP 55-42216 concerns a method of manufacturing civil and architectural material from converter slag.

JP 7-48186 relates to a cement-base pavement block and a method for manufacturing the same.